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Subject: MLPAComments: Comment for Monterey MLPA

To Whom It May Concern:

In consideration of the three MLPA packages under consideration for Monterey area, I want to voice my strong support for package #2 as the best choice for protecting our local marine resources.

Our reefs have, in my experience, already displayed a decline in fish-life due to both recreational and commercial fishing. To continue to impact these resources even at our current rate of "protection" is woefully inadequate as both popularity in recreational fishing and commercial fishing pressures increase.

We needn't satiate our taste for fresh seafood by impacting the areas closest at hand. I urge you to consider protecting a valuable resource already under stress, and to consider it's value to all of us if it is protected and nurtured back into a vibrant, healthy, valued marine reserve.

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